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- 1. I ASKED FORMIN BORGONOVO ABOUT THE CURRENT GOES ATTITUDE IRESPECT TO THE HONDURAN OASGA INITIATIVE. HE HAS SPOKEN WITH ARENALES (WHO VISITED WITH BATRES LAST WEEK) AND CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT BATRES ACTED STRICTLY UNDER DOMESTIC PRESSURE. HE DOES NOT EXPECT THE HONDURANS TO DO MORE THAN TRY TO KEEP THE MFM ALIVE, BUT HE WILL CONTACT BATRES IN WASHINGTON BEFORE THE MEETING BEGINS.
- 2. BORGONOVO REPORTS THAT THE INFORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN HONDURAS AND EL SALVADOR CONTINUE GOOD. THE MILITARY ALONG THE

FRONTIER ARE IN CONTACT, AND MOLINA, ON A GOBIERNO MOVIL TOUR NEAR THE BORDER, INFORMED LOPEZ OF THE TRIP AND WAS ASSURED THAT HONDURAS HAD NO OBJECTIONS.

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3. I ASKED THE FORMIN WHEN THE MOLINA GOVERNMENT WOULD BEGIN IN EARNEST TO SELL THE SALVADORAN MILITARY ON THE NEED FOR A SETTLEMENT. HE REPLIED THAT IT IS HARD TO SELL PEOPLE WHO DO NOT WANT TO BE SOLD: "TOO MANY OF THE MILITARY WOULD LIKE TO BE PRESIDENT AND WOULD USE ANY SIGN OF 'WEAKNESS' AS AN EXCUSE TO ACT AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT." CATTO

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